In the claims:

Claims 1-5 cancelled.

6. (currently amended) The ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism of claim ~~1~~20, wherein the ring (17) of the slaving device (16) is pressed onto the driven shaft (14).

7. (currently amended) The ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism of claim ~~1~~20, wherein the ring (15) of the slaving device (16) is joined in force-locking fashion to the driven shaft (14).

8. (currently amended) The ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism of claim ~~1 1~~20, wherein the radial side walls (211) of the pockets (21) further include indentations in the region of contact with the damping elements (22).

9. (currently amended) The ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism of claim ~~1~~20, wherein the radial ribs (18) of the slaving device (16), at least in their region protruding into the pockets (21), further include concavities or convexities.

10. (currently amended) The ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism of claim ~~1~~20, wherein its embodiment as an angular gear, in which the driven gear wheel (13) is embodied as a ring gear with spur gearing (131), and the driving gear wheel (12) is embodied as a conical pinion with pinion gearing (121).

Claim 11 cancelled.

12. (currently amended) A ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism for a hand power tool, with a driving gear wheel (12), seated in a manner fixed against relative rotation on a drive shaft (11), and a driven gear wheel (13), meshing with the driving gear wheel and driving a driven shaft, and spring-elastic damping elements (22), which are located between the driven gear wheel (13) and the driven shaft (14), said driven gear wheel (13) is seated without play, rotatably and axially nondisplaceably on the driven shaft (14) and has pockets (21), offset from one another in the circumferential direction, that are defined by radial side walls (211); and said damping elements (22) rest in the pockets (21) with contact against the radial side walls (211) and are retained on a slaving device (16) that is joined to the driven shaft (14) in a manner fixed against relative rotation and is fixed axially nondisplaceably on the driven shaft (14) and the slaving device (16) has a ring (17), seated on the driven shaft (14), and a

number of radial ribs (18) corresponding to the number of pockets (21) in the driven gear wheel (13), of which ribs one protrudes into each pocket (21); and that two or more damping elements (22), resting on each side of the radial rib (18), are provided in each pocket (21), of which damping elements each one is braced on the radial rib (18) and on a radial side wall (211) of the pocket (21), and said radial side walls (211) of the pockets (21) and/or said radial ribs (18) of the slaving device (16), at least in their region protruding into the pockets (21), have concavities or convexities in the region of contact with the damping elements (22) and said driven gear wheel (13) is braced in the axial direction on the one side on an annular shoulder (15) embodied on the driven shaft (14) and on the other on the slaving device (16).

Claim 13-17 cancelled.

18. (currently amended) A ~~hand power tool having a~~gear mechanism for a hand power tool, with a driving gear wheel (12), seated in a manner fixed against relative rotation on a drive shaft (11), and a driven gear wheel (13), meshing with the driving gear wheel and driving a driven shaft, and spring-elastic damping elements (22), which are located between the driven gear wheel (13) and the driven shaft (14), said driven gear wheel (13) is seated rotatably on the driven shaft (14) and has pockets (21), offset from one another in the circumferential direction, that are defined by radial side walls (211); and said

damping elements (22) rest in the pockets (21) with contact against the radial side walls (211) and are retained on a slaving device (16) that is joined to the driven shaft (14) in a manner fixed against relative rotation and is fixed axially nondisplaceably on the driven shaft (14) and the slaving device (16) has a ring (17), seated on the driven shaft (14), and a number of radial ribs (18) corresponding to the number of pockets (21) in the driven gear wheel (13), of which ribs one protrudes into each pocket (21); and that two or more damping elements (22), resting on each side of the radial rib (18), are provided in each pocket (21), of which damping elements each one is braced on the radial rib (18) and on a radial side wall (211) of the pocket (21), and said radial side walls (211) of the pockets (21) and/or said radial ribs (18) of the slaving device (16), at least in their region protruding into the pockets (21), have concavities or convexities in the region of contact with the damping elements (22) and the ring (~~15~~17) of the slaving device (16) is joined in force-locking fashion to the driven shaft (14) and the driven gear wheel (13) is braced in the axial direction on the one side on an annular shoulder (15) embodied on the driven shaft (14) and on the other on the slaving device (16).

19. (currently amended) A ~~hand-power-tool-having-a~~gear mechanism for a hand power tool, with a driving gear wheel (12), seated in a manner fixed against relative rotation on a drive shaft (11), and a driven gear wheel (13), meshing with the driving gear wheel and driving a driven shaft, and

spring-elastic damping elements (22), which are located between the driven gear wheel (13) and the driven shaft (14), said driven gear wheel (13) is seated rotatably on the driven shaft (14) and has pockets (21), offset from one another in the circumferential direction, that are defined by radial side walls (211); and said damping elements (22) rest in the pockets (21) with contact against the radial side walls (211) and are retained on a slaving device (16) that is joined to the driven shaft (14) in a manner fixed against relative rotation and is fixed axially nondisplaceably on the driven shaft (14) and the slaving device (16) has a ring (17), seated on the driven shaft (14), and a number of radial ribs (18) corresponding to the number of pockets (21) in the driven gear wheel (13), of which ribs one protrudes into each pocket (21); and that two or more damping elements (22), resting on each side of the radial rib (18), are provided in each pocket (21), of which damping elements each one is braced on the radial rib (18) and on a radial side wall (211) of the pocket (21), and said radial side walls (211) of the pockets (21) and/or said radial ribs (18) of the slaving device (16), at least in their region protruding into the pockets (21), have concavities or convexities in the region of contact with the damping elements (22) and the ring (~~15~~17) of the slaving device (16) is joined in force-locking fashion to the driven shaft (14) and the driven gear wheel (13) is braced in the axial direction on the one side on an annular shoulder (15) embodied on the driven shaft (14) and on the other on the slaving device (16), and the gear mechanism is an angular gear, in which the driven gear wheel (13) is embodied as a ring gear with spur gearing (131), and

the driving gear wheel (12) is embodied as a conical pinion with pinion gearing (121).

20. (new) A gear mechanism for a hand power tool, with a driving gear wheel (12), seated in a manner fixed against relative rotation on a drive shaft (11), and a driven gear wheel (13), meshing with the driving gear wheel and driving a driven shaft, and spring-elastic damping elements (22), which are located between the driven gear wheel (13) and the driven shaft (14), said driven gear wheel (13) is seated rotatably on the driven shaft (14) and has pockets (21), offset from one another in the circumferential direction, that are defined by radial side walls (211); and said damping elements (22) rest in the pockets (21) with contact against the radial side walls (211) and are retained on a slaving device (16) that is joined to the driven shaft (14) in a manner fixed against relative rotation and is fixed axially nondisplaceably on the driven shaft (14) and the slaving device (16) has a ring (17), seated on the driven shaft (14), and a number of radial ribs (18) corresponding to the number of pockets (21) in the driven gear wheel (13), of which ribs one protrudes into each pocket (21); and that two or more damping elements (22), resting on each side of the radial rib (18), are provided in each pocket (21), of which damping elements each one is braced on the radial rib (18) and on a radial side wall (211) of the pocket (21), and said radial side walls (211) of the pockets (21) and/or said radial ribs (18) of the slaving device (16), at least in their region protruding into the pockets (21), have

concavities or convexities in the region of contact with the damping elements (22), wherein the driven gear wheel (13) is braced in the axial direction on the one side on an annular shoulder (15) embodied on the driven shaft (14) and on the other on the slaving device (16).